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1. Applicant's petition for acceptance of black and white photographs under 37 CFR 1.84(b) has been received. However, the requirement for a petition, petition fee, and three sets of black and white photographs has been eliminated. See 1213 O.G. 108 (August 4, 1998), 1211 O.G. 34 (June 9, 1999) and 37 CFR 1.84(b) which states that "The Office will accept photographs in utility and design patent applications, however, if photographs are the only practicable medium for illustrating the claimed invention." Consequently, applicant's petition is moot.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to William T. Leader whose telephone number is 571-272-1245. The examiner can normally be reached on Mondays-Thursdays and alternate Fridays, 7:30-4:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Roy King, can be reached on 571-272-1244. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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